

REMARKS

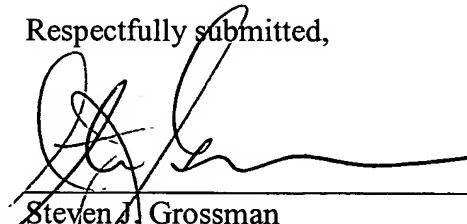
Claims 1-18 are pending in the application. The Examiner indicated that the application contains claims directed to distinct species of the invention as illustrated in Figures 1, 2, and 3-4. The Examiner requested that applicants elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits. Claim 1 was considered to be generic.

In view of the above applicants elect claims 1-10 and 12-17. Applicants respectfully request that dependent claims 11 and 18 be maintained in the application pending allowance of a generic claim in which case claims 11 and 18 may be reintroduced.

In sum, applicants elect claims 1-10 and 12-17. Dependent claims 11 and 18 have been withdrawn. Claim 1 is considered generic. Examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

In the event the Examiner deems personal contact in this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at 603-668-6560.

Respectfully submitted,



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